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1. ON THE BASIS OF REFERENCES TO CANADA IN REFTELS, EMBASSY SEES POSSIBILITY THAT CANADIANS WILL QUESTION WHAT ADVANTAGE THERE WILL BE TO THEM IN ATTEMPTING TO RESOLVE PROBLEM US/CANADIAN TRADE RESTRICTIONS ON MEAT AND CATTLE. WE ARE AWARE, OF COURSE, THAT VOLUNTARY RESTRAINT PROGRAM DOES NOT AFFECT PORK AND LIVE ANIMALS. WE ALSO UNDERSTAND REASON FOR FIXING ESTIMATE OF BEEF IMPORTS AT 17 MILLION POUNDS IN ALLOCATING SHARES UNDER RESTRAINT PROGRAM. WE ASSUME, HOWEVER, THAT CANADIANS KNOW OR WILL LEARN BASIS OF OUR CALCULATION FOR QUARTERLY ESTIMATE AND WILL REALIZE THAT, IF BILATERAL PROBLEM IS RESOLVED BY BOTH SIDES REMOVING RESTRICTIONS, THEIR PROSPECTS FOR ADDITIONAL SALES MAY BE LIMITED.

2. EMBASSY INTENDS IN CONVERSATION WITH GOC OFFICIALS TO CONTINUE TO ENCOURAGE GOC TO REMOVE ITS IMPORT RESTRICTIONS, BUT WOULD APPRECIATE GUIDANCE ON HOW TO RESPOND TO QUESTIONS THAT MAY BE RAISED REGARDING CANADIAN MARKET OPPORTUNITIES IN U.S.

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